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In response to the Examiner's comments in the Final Rejection:

- a. Claims 9, 10 and 16 have been amended to correspond with the Examiner's suggestions and to clarify some of the objections raised; and
- b. Pages 5, 7 and 8 of the Specification have been amended to clarify the drawings and deal with the objections to FIGURE 5.

The Specification has been amended at Page 5 to clarify that FIGURE 4 shows an underside view of the closure lid of FIGURES 1-3 helpful in an understanding of the invention. The Specification has also been amended at Pages 7 and 8 with respect to FIGURE 5, indicating that the panel door freely slides between the pair of grooves and the underside of the closure lid. (This is carried through in the submitted Amendment to the Drawings.)

Claims 9 and 16 have been amended to more clearly define the direction of the sliding of the panel door to open and close the slotted window through which the beverage drink is to be dispensed -- with Claim 9 being further amended to indicate that there is only one raised track 32, and that it is raised inwardly of both the first and second pair of grooved tracks at the underside of the closure lid.

Claims 4-5, 6-8, 10-12, 15 and 17 continue to depend from amended Claims 9 and 16.

As the Examiner indicated that Claims 4-12 and 15-17 appear to be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, it is now respectfully submitted that this Application is considered to be in condition for Allowance. Withdrawal of the final rejection of these claims and their allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner should adhere to the Final Rejection, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment be entered for purposes of Appeal.


This Application is now considered to be in condition for Allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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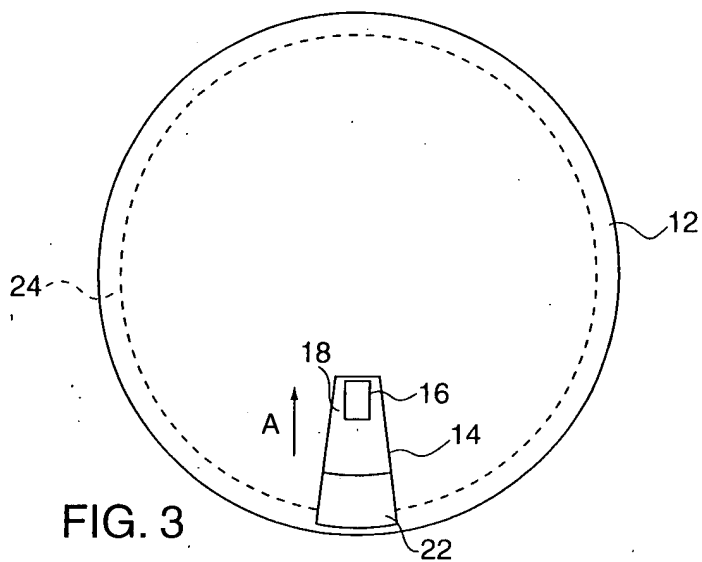


FIG. 3

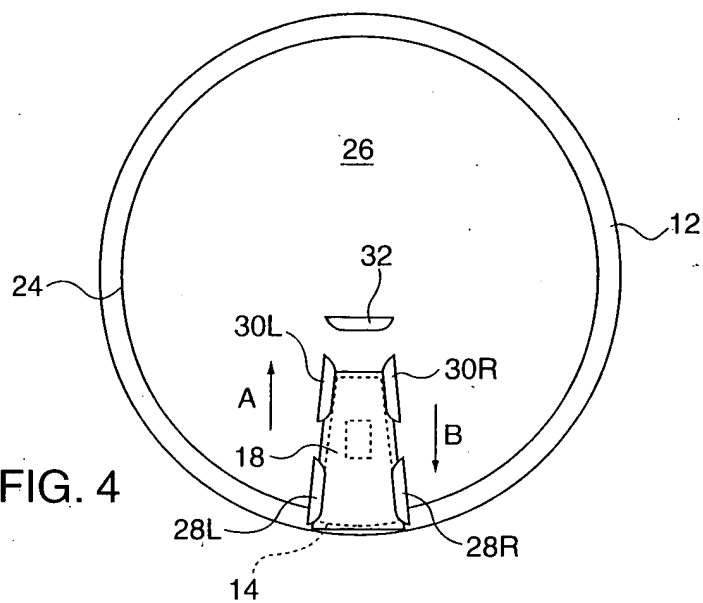


FIG. 4

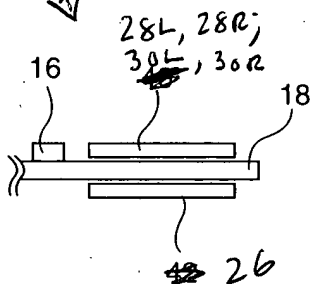


FIG. 5